

## North East Locality Commissioning Meeting

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| Date of Meeting: 12.9.18  |            |   |          | Paper No: 2 |             |   |
| Title of Paper: Specialist Learning Disability Service offer to GPs in Oxon |            |   |          |             |             |   |
| Is this paper for   | Discussion | ✓ | Decision |             | Information | ✓ |

### Purpose of Paper:

In order to better support people with a learning disability to access appropriate healthcare, both pro-actively and effectively when acutely unwell, Specialist Learning Disability Services are offering to provide the following support to local GP practices.

### Action Required:

September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting discussion opportunity for practices to put forward their views.

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## Specialist Learning Disability Service Offer to GPs in Oxfordshire

In order to better support people with a learning disability to access appropriate healthcare, both pro-actively and effectively when acutely unwell, Specialist Learning Disability Services are offering to provide the following support to local GP practices. This is in order to share the workload and is in response to our understanding of the pressures local GP services are under. We are keen to do all we can to support you with this vulnerable group. We have already met with the City Locality and the following areas of focus have been identified.

- **Reasonable Adjustments** – to provide access to a range of materials to support GPs in making adjustments including offering patients appropriate accessible information regarding a range of health needs (hosted on OHFT website)
- **Screening** – Checklist to support identification of those individuals where national screening may not be therapeutically advantageous.
- **Email link to Community Learning Disability Teams (CLDT)** – Facility for GPs to email the CLDTs for information and/or guidance and to support with referral queries, with a particular emphasis on capacity and consent.
- **Named LD link person to attend GP practice meetings** – person linked to a GP surgery or a cluster of surgeries to attend practice meetings at agreed intervals and ensure appropriate LD information and updates are mutually shared. Timeframes for attendance to be defined.
- **Named LD link person contactable for general advice** – link person for GPs to make contact with outside of practice meetings via e-mail as per point 3.

We have already requested an invite to each of the locality meetings but we also understand the pressures and competing demands on your time.

To support us to support you most effectively we would also be interested in hearing back from you in relation to the usefulness of the suggestions above, or to hear any other ideas from you.

You can contact us by emailing [Hannah.Osman@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk](mailto:Hannah.Osman@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk)

We would appreciate feedback by mid-September 2018.